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Dear Bill:

We have received an Official Action in the above case and enclosed is a photoprint copy of the same, as well as a copy of our agent's reporting letter.

The application possesses novelty and will be allowed provided the formal objections raised in the action are overcome.

We would like to have your instructions for response as soon as possible, preferably not later than February 15, 1974.

Very truly yours

George J. Brandt, Jr.

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